REMARKS

Claims 1-13 are currently pending. Claims 1-13 were objected to. Claims 1-13 are canceled herein and replaced with new claims 14-38. Claims 14-38 represent re-written versions of canceled claims 1-13 in order to address the Examiner's objections and clarify the claimed subject matter consistent with the Examiner's observations. Entry of the present amendments is respectfully requested.

Support for new claims 14-38 may be found throughout the specification and claims as filed, for example, at page 2, 1st paragraph; page 4, 1st paragraph; page 5, last paragraph; and page 6, third paragraph. No new matter has been added.

In the unlikely event that the patent office determines that extensions and/or other relief is required, applicant petition for any required relief including extensions of time and authorize the assistant commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or fees due to our deposit account no. 03-1952 under order no. 532212000300. The assistant commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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